



# Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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## Alfalfa 3<sup>rd</sup> Cutting Underway

### Agricultural Summary

Districts reported temperatures that ranged from five degrees below normal to eight degrees above normal for the week. Only a few northern stations reported significant precipitation. Major agricultural activities included irrigating, cultivating, spraying for pests, caring for livestock, harvesting grain, and cutting alfalfa.

### Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture is at 8% very short, 37% short, 52% adequate, and 3% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

### Field Crop Report

Statewide, crops remain in mostly good to excellent condition due to warm weather and adequate water supply. Harvest of barley and winter wheat is in full swing in the Southwest and South-Central districts. Statewide, percentage of barley and spring wheat turning color is 70 and 72 respectively.

### Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

State second and third cutting of alfalfa is 58% and 12% complete, respectively. Elmore County extension office reports a continued grasshopper infestation in pockets of the county.

Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Barley	0	1	5	61	33
Spring Wheat	0	1	6	72	21
Range & Pasture	0	1	24	56	19
Potatoes	0	1	4	88	7
Winter Wheat	0	1	5	72	22
Irr. Water Supply	0	1	5	64	30

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2009	2008	Avg.
Barley Turning Color	70	76	80
Spring Wheat Turning Color	72	68	79
Winter Wheat Turning Color	96	94	98
Potato Vines Dying/Killed	1	1	2
Dry Peas Harvested	14	24	25
Oats Harvested	2	11	12
Peaches Harvested	-	12	7

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg
Spring Wheat Harvested .....	-	1	2	4	30	26	1	3	12	-	-	2	1	2	4
Barley Harvested .....	-	1	3	32	34	43	8	6	19	-	-	2	2	3	7
Winter Wheat Harvested .....	24	5	17	28	40	52	19	16	38	2	3	17	17	8	23
Alfalfa Second Cutting....	38	40	41	80	83	94	90	88	90	20	37	47	58	55	67
Third Cutting.....	NA	NA	NA	9	4	24	30	9	19	-	-	3	12	4	13

Avg (2004 – 2008); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

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# Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, August 2, 2009 <sup>1/</sup>

Station	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation		Since Mar 1 Precipitation		Growing Degree Days Since March 1		
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Base 40 Total	Base 50 Total	Base 50 DFN
<b>North</b>											
Coeur D' Alene	100	57	74	4	0.36	0.15	8.79	0.39	2321	1271	31
Grangeville	98	53	73	7	0.00	-0.21	10.83	-1.58	2236	1194	288
Lewiston	106	55	82	7	0.00	-0.14	5.10	-0.39	3189	1905	222
Porthill	97	52	73	6	0.75	0.54	9.70	2.37	2130	1105	87
Winchester	93	49	70	8	0.00	-0.28	10.09	-2.02	1768	850	266
<b>Southwest</b>											
Boise	100	57	76	2	0.00	-0.07	6.63	1.84	2990	1724	93
Emmett	100	62	79	6	0.00	-0.05	5.70	1.02	2913	1704	107
Glenns Ferry	101	57	78	5	0.00	-0.07	7.92	4.26	2935	1713	115
Grandview	100	54	76	2	0.00	0.00	3.57	0.51	2969	1707	-116
Nampa	97	59	77	4	0.00	-0.07	3.42	-0.62	2991	1734	56
Parma	99	58	78	5	0.00	-0.07	3.61	-0.74	3071	1795	220
<b>South Central</b>											
Fairfield	90	44	65	-3	0.03	-0.11	7.32	2.02	1701	768	-97
Malta	97	41	70	-1	0.00	-0.21	7.28	1.72	2195	1118	-94
Picabo	95	48	70	2	0.12	0.05	7.71	2.82	2048	1068	130
Rupert	95	49	70	-1	0.00	-0.07	4.53	0.38	2299	1210	-45
Twin Falls	95	53	73	4	0.01	-0.06	6.42	2.19	2539	1387	180
<b>East</b>											
Aberdeen	93	47	67	-2	0.00	-0.1	6.99	2.70	2135	1093	32
Ashton	83	40	61	-5	0.05	-0.16	8.91	0.49	1672	728	-72
Fort Hall	96	46	67	-3	0.00	-0.14	7.75	2.19	2127	1088	-110
Idaho Falls	92	47	67	-3	0.00	-0.14	6.78	1.67	2175	1103	-13
Lava Hot Springs	91	47	67	-4	0.00	-0.14	9.55	4.41	2069	1043	-155
Monteview	89	43	64	-5	0.00	-0.14	5.61	0.74	1864	882	-192
Preston	92	52	70	-2	0.00	-0.21	9.28	2.51	2384	1264	22
Rexburg	86	41	63	-4	0.00	-0.14	7.99	1.70	1811	817	-40

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit [www.awis.com](http://www.awis.com) or call 1-888-798-9955.